

RESOLUTION No. 2008-74-761

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, COMMENDING WAL-MART STORES ON ITS SELF-IMPOSED TIGHTENING OF RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR GUN SALES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Wal-Mart, the nation's largest seller of firearms, recently announced, that it will toughen its rules for gun sales in an effort to reduce gun violence, and

WHEREAS, among other things, Wal-Mart has agreed to conduct thorough background checks on employees who handle guns; create a record and alert system to record when a gun sold at Wal-Mart is later used in a crime; record images of gun sales in case law enforcement wants to view them as a later part of an investigation, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Miami Gardens would like to commend Wal-Mart on its efforts to curb gun violence within the United States,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS: The foregoing Whereas paragraphs are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.


Section 2. COMMENDATION: The City Council of the City of Miami Gardens hereby commends Wal-Mart on its self-imposed initiative to tighten controls on gun sales.

Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its final passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI  
GARDENS AT ITS REGULAR MEETING HELD ON APRIL 23, 2008.

ATTEST:

  
RONETTA TAYLOR, CMC, CITY CLERK

  
SHIRLEY GIBSON, MAYOR

PREPARED BY: SONJA KNIGHTON DICKENS, ESQ.  
City Attorney

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMAN ANDRÉ WILLIAMS

MOVED BY: Vice Mayor Watson  
SECONDED BY: Councilman Gilbert

**VOTE: 6-0**

Mayor Shirley Gibson	<u>  x  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)
Vice Mayor Barbara Watson	<u>  x  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)
Councilman Melvin L. Bratton	<u>  x  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)
Councilman Oliver G. Gilbert III	<u>  x  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)
Councilman Aaron Campbell	<u>    </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No) Out of Country
Councilwoman Sharon Pritchett	<u>  x  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)
Councilman André Williams	<u>  x  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)

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Date: April 23, 2008

Fiscal Impact: No ☒ Yes ☐

(If yes, explain in Staff Summary)

Funding Source:

Contract/P.O. Requirement: Yes ☐ No ☒

Sponsor Name/Department:

**Councilman Andre Williams**

Public hearing ☐

Ordinance ☐

1st Reading ☐

Advertising requirement: Yes ☐ No ☐

RFP/RFQ # \_\_\_\_\_ Yes ☐ No ☐

Quasi-Judicial ☐

Resolution ☒

2nd Reading ☐

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### **Staff Summary**

On Tuesday, April 15, 2008, Wal-Mart the nation's leading retailer has imposed new rules and regulations regarding the sales of handguns. These changes include creating a record and alert system to record when a gun sold at Wal-Mart is later used in a crime; retain recoded images of gun sales in the event that law enforcement wants to view them; and expand background checks of employees who handle guns and expanding inventory controls. These changes will take some time to implement, and will be done at the expense of Wal-Mart, who is to be commended.

### **Recommendation**

The City Council of the City of Miami Gardens hereby commends Wal-Mart on its self-imposed initiative to tighten controls on gun sales.